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Group Art Unit 1617

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For ENHANCEMENT OF THE POTENCY AND EFFICACY OF LOCAL ANESTHETICS WITH IBUTILIDE AND OTHER METHANE-SULFONAMIDE DRUGS

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE CORRECTED APPLICATION PAPERS

Sir:

In response to the Notice to File Corrected Application papers, the undersigned submits herewith:

- 1) A copy of the Notice issued by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office; and
- 2) A copy of a formal drawing submission filed in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on April 11, 2002.

This submission should satisfy the requirements of the Notice, and the formal drawing submission of April 11, 2002 should provide formal drawings for the application. Please proceed to examination on the merits.

Respectfully submitted,

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This application has been accorded an Application Number and Filing Date. The application, however, is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to correct the informalities indicated below. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a)

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SUBMISSION OF FORMAL DRAWINGS

Sir:

Submitted herewith are seven (7) sheets of formal drawings comprising figures 1-6 for the above-identified patent application. Acknowledgment of receipt is respectfully requested.

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